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#### TAKE NOTE

#### **CCAF Graduation**

The Spring 2000 commencement exercise of the Community College of the Air Force is today, 10 a.m., at the Base Chapel. Base employees are invited to attend. The education office will open after the graduation at 1:30 p.m. today.

#### Special Olympics walk Friday

The Special Olympics "Walk for the Gold" is Friday, 5 p.m. at the California State University, Sacramento football stadium. McClellan's yearly participation in this event is an excellent way to lend a hand for a very worthy cause. Those interested in walking or volunteering their time for the games, Saturday, can call Senior Master Sgt. Bob Craig at 643-3554.

#### Area Defense Council

The Area Defense Counsel's office on McClellan Air Force Base will close June 23. The Beale Air Force Base ADC, Capt. Nicolle Schippers, will handle all clients after that date. Members needing assistance from an area defense counsel should call DSN 368-2081 or commercial (530) 634-2081.

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"Completing the mission of McClellan Air Force Base with professionalism and honor"

## 77th Medical Group inactivates

#### Story and photo by Alica Doyle

Staff Writer

McClellan's medical service organizations restructured during a multifaceted ceremony, May 4. Those attending saw the 77th Medical Support Squadron inactivate; the 77th Medical Operations Squadron undergo a change of command, and the 77th Medical Group encase its guidon--completing the inactivation ceremony.

Lt. Col. Norman Spector relinquished command of the 77th MDSS as Col. Edward Torres, 77th Medical Group commander, inactivated the unit. Spector then assumed command of the 77th Medical Operations Squadron from Lt. Col. Anthony Van Goor. in a change of command ceremony. Van Goor assumes command of the 347th Medical Group, Moody Air Force Base, Ga., later this spring.

Col. Charlie Cotter, 77th Air Base Wing commander, then inactivated the 77th MDG: deferring the ceremonial encasement of the group's guidon to Torres, who will become Headquarters Air Force Materiel Command Readiness and Health Care Support Division chief, Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio, later this month.

McClellan-based medical operations are now overseen by Spector, with Lt. Col. Gloria Twilley, chief nurse executive, functioning as deputy commander. The new stand-alone squadron will fall directly under the 77th Air Base Wing.

"We are planning to continue caring for the active duty members assigned to Mc-Clellan AFB and their families through February 2001," said Spector. "At that time we will transition the remaining personnel and their families to the Travis Satellite Clinic.

"Residual active duty members in the local area; including recruiters, Reserve Officer Training Corps cadets, active Air National Guard and active Air Force Reserve mem-



Col. Charlie Cotter, 77th Air Base Wing commander, defers retirement and casing of the 77th Medical Group guidon to its final commander Col. Edward Torres, during the inactivation ceremony May 4.

bers transition to Travis Air Force Base in the fall, to facilitate continuity of care after the medical operations squadron is gone."

During its tenure, the 77th MDG witnessed above-and-beyond service of its members in places like Nairobo, Kenya; South West Asia; Cuban refugee camps; Central America, and the former Yugoslavia. Spector is determined to carry the tradition of service through to the ultimate closure of the final 77th ABW medical organization.

"I am very honored to have been given the opportunity to help write the final chapter of the medical history here at McClellan," said Spector. "We have worked very hard to ensure staffing is adequate to meet the needs of McClellan personnel and to satisfy the dual requirements of quality health care and successful transfer of facilities to the Veterans Administration.

"I am fortunate to have some terrific folks remaining here who will help meet the challenges ahead. The beneficiaries here on McClellan continue to be our priority."

## Government property -- a matter of integrity, responsibility

#### By John Garman

Inspector General's Office

Many of us at some point have had government property that we were responsible to account for and safeguard. This responsibility can be an awesome one if you consider the type and dollar value of the property under our control.

In many cases, it ranges from simple office furniture such as desks and chairs to computers, vehicles, huge pieces of test equipment, and even entire buildings. Most are very conscientious about that responsibility and have taken it seriously, while some have not. We've heard all of the excuses. "It was here yesterday." "I inventoried it myself, so I know it was here." But, all of us know the stuff just doesn't disappear. Equipment is misplaced, turned in without proper accountability, or,

in some cases, someone stole it.

When property "disappears" or cannot be located, usually the report of survey process begins. This process, for the most part, will relieve the property custodian of liability (not having to pay the government the value of the property). There are adequate controls in place, as outlined in Air Force instructions, policy letters, equipment custodian requirements and operating procedures.

But the one key ingredient to ensure that all of the processes and procedures work is integrity. How do you define integrity? What does it mean to you? How about "the quality or state of being of sound moral principle; uprightness, honesty, and sincerity." Or, how about this one: "An uncompromising adherence to a code of moral, artistic or other values; utter sincerity, honesty and candor; avoidance

of deception, expediency, artificiality or shallowness of any kind."

Often, incidents involving fraud become common knowledge. Individuals get caught up in little wrongs which increase until they become overwhelming. The individual gets caught in a web of deceit believing they can't go back and reverse the wrong-doing.

A year ago, an Air Force employee was cited for stealing government property. After the judicial process took place, the employee received a 10-day suspension. Just recently, the same employee was caught again and cited for attempting to steal government property. What do you think will happen this time around?

For more information about proper accountability of items, call 643-3160, or to report any wrong-doings regarding government property, call 643-6244.



U.S. Air Force photo by Henry Walker

## Partnership proves effective

Jim Franco, McClellan's American Federation of Government Employees Local 1857 president, and Ray Rush, AFGE, discuss issues of concern to labor and management, personnel during the Air Force Materiel Command/AFGE Partnership Council meeting here, May 3 and 4. The council, comprised of AFMC managers and AFGE representatives from throughout the command, was formed to ensure an effective relationship between labor and management personnel, McClellan established its Partnership Council in 1994. shortly after the President issued Executive Order 12871. Labor-Management Partnerships. Since then, the Sacramento Air Logistics Center model has been an example to the command of the value and effectiveness of partnership.

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"Completing the mission of McClellan AFB with professionalism and honor"

## Employee thrift savings plan open season begins

The Thrift Savings Plan open season is Monday through July 31. Open season allows eligible employees to enroll in the Thrift Savings Plan or change contributions to their accounts.

Changes are accepted beginning May 24, and become effective July 2, if submitted by July 2. Applications submitted after July 2 will become effective the following pay period.

The Thrift Savings Plan is a tax-deferred retirement savings plan, open to both Federal Employees Retirement System and Civil Service Retirement System employees. FERS employees may contribute up to 10 percent

of their basic pay each pay period, with the government matching up to 5 percent. CSRS employees may contribute up to 5 percent of their basic pay, with no government matching contributions. No taxes are paid on TSP contributions until funds are withdrawn after separation from federal service.

Both FERS and CSRS employees have a present choice of three investment funds:

- G Fund Government securities investment fund invested in short-term U.S. Treasury securities specially issued to the TSP.
- C Fund Common stock index investment fund consisting of the common stocks of all the companies represented in the Stan-

dard and Poor's 500 stock index.

■ F Fund - Fixed income index investment fund invested in a bond index fund tracking the Shearson Lehman Brothers Aggregate Bond Index.

To view rates of return, obtain the most current TSP information, and calculate anticipated TSP earnings, employees may visit the TSP Web site at www.tsp.gov.

Beginning May 24, information and forms are available in civilian personnel, Bldg. 200, basement, between noon and 3 p.m. daily.

For more information regarding the Thrift Savings Plan, call the benefits section at 643-5702.

# Officials announce May promotions

Base officials recently announced the promotions of the following Team McClellan members:

#### SENIOR MASTER SERGEANT

Daniel S. Cormier, 938th Engineering Installation Squadron

#### MASTER SERGEANT

Robert S. Bement, 77th Medical Operations Squadron

#### TECHNICAL SERGEANTS

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#### AIRMEN 1ST CLASS

Matthew B. Bohrer, 938th EIS Charles J. Eder, 77th MSS Richard P. Thompson, 938th EIS

## Technical sergeant trades in stripes for chance at gold

#### By Jennifer Vargas

Staff Writer

One of McClellan's technical sergeants is trading in his stripes for a chance at the gold – gold lieutenant bars that is.

Tech. Sgt. Terry Bailey, 77th Medical Operations Squadron, was recently selected for a direct commission through the Commissioned Officers Training school at Maxwell Air Force Base, Ala.

Bailey, who has been a part of the enlisted force for 17 years, learned of his selection last month, shortly after earning his bachelors degree. Three years before completing his degree, he passed the state board to become a registered nurse.

"When I learned of my selection, I was very excited," Bailey said. "It's been a long range goal since I came into the Air Force."

Once Bailey completes the four-week COT school where he'll learn the basics of being an officer, he'll pack his bags once again and head to Lackland Air Force Base, Texas, for a 12-week nurse transition program at Wilford Hall.

Bailey would like to specialize as a surgical care nurse, but eventually wants to go into critical care.

"I find health care in the military to be very fulfilling," Bailey said. "It keeps me on my toes, and I'm able to continuously learn about the new science and technology of medicine."

And, in the military is where Bailey wants to stay, even though the prospects of making more money in the civilian sector are very promising.

"I love the Air Force medical service," he said. "The civilian world just doesn't have the appeal ... the people ... the opportunities."

Bailey says he owes much of his success to his wife Lorena, who followed nearly the same path as he did. After 17 years as an enlisted member, she, too, went on to become an officer. She is now a medical service corps officer here.

"The support I get from my wife has been tremendous," Bailey said. "She still makes me salute her, though," he joked.

## 77th Services Division members net 2 awards

#### By Jennifer Vargas

Staff Writer

Two of the 77th Services Division's best were awarded the Air Force Services Individual Award for their efforts in supporting the mission of "Combat Support and Community Service."

Maj. William McNeill, deputy director, and Delores Johnson, custodial supervisor, learned of their nominations last week when supervisors congratulated them for jobs well done.

"I'm very proud of their accomplishments," said Col. Michael Iltis, 77th Support Group commander, of McNeill and Johnson. "The services division, as well as McClellan, is lucky to have such motivated, professional leaders on their team."

Both McNeill and Johnson were lauded for their high standards and values and outstanding lead-by-example styles for continuous improvement and service to the members of Team McClellan.

"Getting this award is simply a reflection of the entire services

division," said McNeill. "We all work together as a team, and earning this award is evidence of that."

McNeill's accomplishments include operating as the services commander while deployed to Eskan Village, Riyadh, Saudi Arabia; the successful consolidation of the officer and enlisted clubs; his expertise in the continuing closure of McClellan; and coordination with local communities to establish joint recreation leagues for youths.

Fellow 77th SVS team member and award recipient, Johnson, was extremely proud of her accomplishments, too.

"I felt very happy to have earned this award," said Johnson. "It's nice to be recognized by the Air Force and by my supervisor who has given me the strength to do my job."

Johnson was recognized for her ability to effectively communicate with her staff through daily briefings; extensive knowledge of Air Force standards and housekeeping experience; and continuous efforts towards quality improvement and customer satisfaction.

## Organizational climate, quality of life survey results released

Last fall, nearly 190,000 officers, enlisted and civilians voluntarily participated in the Air Force Chief of Staff's Organizational Climate and Quality of Life Survey. This is the first Web-based survey of this magnitude in the Air Force, constituting 36 percent of the active-duty force.

Survey data from Air Force units all around the world were compiled sorted, and analyzed. In February, results were provided to local commanders through a Web link to their reports. About 770 McClellan person-

nel representing approximately 22 percent of base population took the survey.

Thirteen major areas were assessed in the Organizational Climate Survey. They were job characteristics, unit performance outcomes, teamwork, job enhancement, core values, resources, training and development, supervision, participation/involvement, general satisfaction, unit flexibility, leadership, and recognition.

The following McClellan results represent "percent positive response" based on

a seven-point rating scale ranging from slightly agree to strongly agree. Overall McClellan results varied little from 1997 and the positive responses were above the 70 percent threshold for follow-up action in all major areas.

The quality of life section focused on Air Force priorities such as community programs, pay and retirement benefits, operations tempo, housing, education opportuni-

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#### **News Notes**

#### **Bowling center closes Sunday**

Sunday, Camellia Lanes Bowling Center offers bowling at 50 cents a game before closing its doors forever. For more information, call 643-5752.

#### Civilian personnel changes location

Civilian personnel's staffing, classification, employee relations and benefits/retirements sections are relocating to Bldg. 200, downstairs in Rooms 40 through 45, Wednesday. Phone numbers will remain unchanged. Limited personnel services will be available until May 22.

#### Military Personnel Flight hours reduced

All sections of the Military Personnel Flight, except the identification customer service section, will be closed Wednesdays from 7:30-8:30 a.m. for training.

For more information, call Capt. Kevin Brooks at 643-5427.

#### 652nd Combat Logistics Support Squadron lowers flag

Deactivation events for the 652nd Combat Logistic Support

Squadron are May 31 and June 1. The banquet is May 31, 6 p.m. at the McClellan Community Center, old NCO club, and the deactivation ceremony is June 1, 9 a.m. in Bldg. 343. For more information, call Master Sgt. Theresa Kim at 643-2951, Master Sgt. Gregory Evens at 643-2947 or e-mail evans.gregory@email.mcclellan.af.mil.

#### Household goods propane tank shipment halted

Shipment of propane tanks, empty or otherwise, in household goods shipments is no longer authorized. Reimbursement is not authorized for replacement tanks or any other item owned by a member that must be disposed of prior to shipment. For more information, call the Traffic Management Flight at 643-2268.

#### **Army Depot Reunion picnic**

The 6th annual Army Depot Reunion picnic is June 3, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. at Elk Grove Park, site 3C. The barbecue includes beef and chicken, potato salad, cole slaw, beans and cornbread. Cost is \$10. Drinks are 50 cents. Reservations are required by May 20. For more information, call 686-2218 or e-mail sactochris@aol.com.

## McClellan hosts county surplus sale

#### By Jim Reeves

**Public Affairs** 

Sacramento area residents were up early to attend county surplus sale April 10 through 12 at McClellan Air Force Base.

"People were waiting in line for the sale to open for up to two and a half hours," said Gary Nelson, Sacramento county representative. "Estimates put a number of 300 people standing in line at 9 a.m. when the sale opened."

Response to this series of sales is very encouraging. More and more items are being processed in and getting ready for the next sale.

Nelson expects more electronic equipment, including 486/33 computer systems to be ready for sale next month.

To help the customer view items better, computer and electronic equipment, along with precision tools will be set up in display cases.

Nelson also hopes to have 75 vehicles, including a backhoe, cars, trucks, buses, and even a dump truck, ready for bid.

"Out of 374 items that were submitted to the bid process all but 11 items were sold," said Nelson.

"Our next sale will be held June 19 through 21," Nelson said. "We have developed a profile on most things so we know what the market will bear."

"Customers are finding it to be very much worth the time and effort to take part in these sales," said Mike Stafford, owner of SubSeas Systems, located at Mather Field Commerce Center. "It's getting crazy – I'm going to have to bring the whole crew down here. We have to split up to get what we need."

For more information, call 875-6444 and ask to be placed on the county mailing list for McClellan, look at the county Web site at <a href="http://www.co.sacramento.ca.us">http://www.co.sacramento.ca.us</a> or see the Sacramento Bee for additional sale information. Sales at Goethe site will also be provided.

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ties, and health care. Emphasis was also placed on more contemporary issues like readiness, retention and a sense of community. The Air Force did not prepare individual base reports on the quality of life section. Overall Air Force survey results revealed:

□ 54 percent of enlisted and 62 percent of officers are satisfied with medical care, while 42 percent of enlisted families and 45 percent of officer families are satisfied with medical care.

☐ 71 percent of married enlisted people and 73 percent of single enlisted people are satisfied with current housing, while 83 percent of married officers and 85 percent of single officers are satisfied.

☐ A sense of community is important to 82 percent of officers, 70 percent of enlisted and 73 percent of civilians.

☐ 63 percent of enlisted, 75 percent of civilians, and 77 percent of officers responded positively to quality of life at duty stations.

□ 61 percent of enlisted, 68 percent of officers and 81 percent of civilians plan to remain with the Air Force. Education programs rank among the top five community programs that affect career decisions. Between 63 percent and 76 percent of first- and second-term airmen, and company grade officers indicated that a retirement plan where everyone received 50 percent of their base pay would increase the likelihood of them staying in for 20 years. Likewise, 59 percent of career airmen and 71 percent of field grade

officers said the likelihood of serving 20 years or more increased with pay raises tied to cost of living.

☐ There is still room for improvement in several areas, such as compensation (including housing allowances), health care services for family members, rising operations tempo, undermanning and dissatisfaction with leadership and supervision.

Significant pay and compensation gains made in the fiscal year 2000 defense budget should help address some of the service members' concerns.

☐ In operations tempo, the number of days spent on Temporary Duty and the number of hours worked per week has increased steadily since 1995. Officers who reported

TDYs now spend an average of 62 days per year TDY and work a 55-hour week, compared to an average of 50 days TDY and a 51-hour week in 1996. For enlisted members who reported TDYs, the average number of days spent TDY increased by 22 days to 68 days, and the hours spent at work each week have risen from 46 in 1996 to 51 in 1999. Undermanning at the work center accounted for about 15 percent of the increased number of work hours.

☐ Overall, compared to 1997, satisfaction in supervision, participation and involvement, and leadership fell by 2 or more percentage points across the board.

(Information provided by McClellan's Manpower and Organization Office)

## Organizational climate results

	McClellan		AF		AFMC	
	<u>1999</u>	<u> 1997</u>	<u>1999</u>	<u>1997</u>	<u>1999</u>	<u>1997</u>
Job Characteristics:	90%	90%	90%	90%	90%	90%
Unit Performance Outcomes:	86%	82%	84%	83%	82%	82%
Teamwork:	84%	82%	83%	82%	83%	81%
Job Enhancement:	83%	-	82%	-	81%	-
Core Values:	81%	81%	82%	81%	81%	81%
Resources:	80%	77%	66%	66%	68%	70%
Training and Development:	79%	80%	80%	81%	79%	79%
Supervision:	77%	77%	80%	82%	76%	78%
Participation/Involvement:	76%	78%	75%	79%	74%	77%
General/Satisfaction:	75%	76%	76%	74%	76%	76%
Unit Flexibility:	75%	71%	72%	72%	70%	71%
Leadership:	73%	74%	72%	74%	70%	72%
Recognition:	72%	69%	69%	79%	67%	67%

Note: Percentages are based on positive responses ranging from slightly agree to strongly agree.

## Air Force system eases civilian job search

#### By Tech. Sgt. R.R. Getsy

Air Force Print News

**WASHINGTON** -- Job seekers no longer have to check continually for Air Force vacancies as of May 1, with the use of the online Civilian Announcement Notification System.

Nicknamed CANS, the system allows people to sign up using their e-mail addresses and automatically receive a list of new Air Force civilian job announcements that match their specific search criteria, said Felipe Jimenez, CANS action officer at the Palace Compass program office, Directorate of Personnel Force Management.

CANS Web site at **www.afpc.randolph.af.mil/afjobs** is the only one of its kind in the Department of Defense, although private industry has similar systems, Jimenez said.

"The great thing about CANS is that it eliminates the need for an applicant to constantly check for new job announcements," he said. To sign on, the only information required is a valid e-mail address.

"This is a very user-friendly program," Jimenez pointed out. "Once you're logged on, the system will take you through the pro-

cess step by step. All you need to do is list your specific job criteria, and CANS does the rest."

Applicants input their search criteria, such as occupational series, pay plan and grade combinations, and duty location. Once the criteria are established, they will remain in the system for 180 days before expiring. Applicants can list up to 20 different criteria combinations. The information can be changed at any time, initiating another 180-day cycle.

The system will automatically search for jobs based on the applicant's search criteria: if there are any matches, an e-mail will be sent to the applicant listing the job announcement number, description, pay plan, occupational series, grade, job location, closing date and the announcement's URL. Anyone interested in seeking employment with the Air Force is eligible to sign on, including military members close to retiring or separating, Jimenez said.

Jimenez said potential applicants for Air Force civilian jobs have an endless source of employment information, from links to position announcements to detailed instructions on how to prepare and submit a properly formatted resume.

#### Focus Center

This section contains some of the job announcements available at the McClellan Air Force Base FOCUS Center. For additional information, contact the FOCUS Center, Bldg. 9, at 643-5661. The center is open until 7 p.m. Thursdays.

Note: Copies of the vacancy announcements are available in the FOCUS Center. Review the announcement and contact the agency for KSAs and/or additional information.

Position: Purchasing Agent GS-1105-07/09

**Annc#**: CA-00-083 **Close**: May 25

Location: Sacramento, CA Agency: Land Management POC: (916) 978-4460 Remarks: See note.

Position: Deputy Regional Dir. GS-0340-14/15

Annc#: BOR-MP-00-61A

Close: May 24

**Location**: Sacramento, CA **Agency**: Bureau of Reclamation **POC**: Inga Hall (916) 978-5471

Remarks: See note.

**Position**: Public Utilities Spec. GS-1130-11/12

Annc#: BOR-MP-00-71A

Close: June 2

**Location**: Sacramento, CA **Agency**: Bureau of Reclamation **POC**: Inga Hall (916) 978-5471

Remarks: See note.

Position: Wage & Hour Assist (OA) (Spanish

Speaking) GS-1802-05 **Annc#**: SF-00-081 **Close**: May 12

**Location**: Sacramento, CA **Agency**: Dept of Labor

POC: Susan Canaya (415) 975-4017

Remarks: See note.

Position: Wage Admin. Specialist GS-0223-13

Annc#: DASC-00-1694 Close: May 12 Location: Travis AFB

Agency: Defense Logistics Agency

**POC**: (614) 692-0200 **Remarks**: See note.

Position: Assist Crossing & Trespasser Regional

Manager GS-2101-09/12 Annc#: FRA-00-27K Close: May 31

Location: Sacramento, CA

Agency: DOT, Federal Railroad Administration

**POC**: Louise Nicholas (202) 493-6112

Remarks: See note.

Position: Compliance Manager GS-1801-14

Annc#: FSA-KCMO-0-0257

Close: May 17 Location: Davis, CA Agency: Dept of Agriculture POC: (816) 926-6781 Remarks: See note.

#### Job Fair May 19

The McClellan Community Support Center Transition Assistance Program is sponsoring a "Spring-Fling" Job Fair May 19, 9 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at the McClellan Community Center, Bldg. 1425.

This job fair is provided as a service to all McClellan personnel and will feature several city, county, state, public and private employers. Everyone is encouraged to attend. Review and update resumes.

For more information, call Mike Truman, Neil Elder, Gina Walker or Joyce Johnson at 643-1106.



#### **Movies**

Movies start at 7 p.m., unless otherwise noted, in Bldg. 1417. Movies are subject to change.

Snow Day - Friday

Starring: Schuyler Fisk, Adam Brown

There's nothing cooler than a snow day. It's like someone gave you the best birthday present ever--and it's not even your birthday! A snow day means no school, no rules and endless possibilities. Snow day magic is a powerful thing. And with Hal's pals Bill and Lanet to cheer him on, this day is destined to change his life forever. Though maybe not exactly as he planned. (PG - mild language)

#### Erin Brockovich - Saturday

Starring: Julia Roberts, Albert Finney

With no money and no job, Erin pleads with her attorney Ed to hire her at his new law firm. It is there that Erin stumbles upon some medical records, where she discovers a coverup involving contaminated water in a local community, which is causing devastating illnesses among its residents. Erin and Ed go on to receive the largest settlement ever paid in a direct-action lawsuit in U.S. history. (*R - language*)

#### Romeo Must Die - Sunday

Starring: Jet Li, Aaliyah Haughton

As a truce between African-American and Asian gangs in Oakland falls apart, two people from opposite sides of the war find themselves falling in love even as they try to bring peace and resolution to their families and their neighborhood. (*R* - *violence*, *language* and brief nudity)

#### **Youth Center**

- Today: Open recreation, 2-6 p.m.; open gym, 2-3 p.m.; open snack bar, 2-5 p.m.; advanced gymnastics, 3:15-4:15 p.m.; Tae Bo Aerobics, 6:15-7:15 p.m., ages 11 and up, free. Moms, Pops, and Tots, 10-11 a.m.
- Friday: Open recreation, 2-6 p.m.; open snack bar 2-6 p.m.; open gym, 2-6 p.m.; skate night, ages 5-8, 6:30-8:30 p.m., members \$2 and nonmembers \$4.
- Saturday: Open recreation and snack bar, noon-5 p.m.; Art Club, noon; preteen night, ages 9-12, 6:30-9 p.m., members free, nonmembers \$2.
  - Sunday: Closed
- Monday: Open recreation and gym, 2-6 p.m.; open snack bar, 2-5 p.m.
- Tuesday: Open recreation, 2-6 p.m.; open gym, 4:15-6 p.m.; open snack bar, 2-5 p.m.; beginning gymnastics, 3:15-4:15 p.m.
- Wednesday: Open recreation, 2-6 p.m.; open gym, 2-5:15 p.m.; open snack bar, 2-5 p.m.; beginning dance lessons, 5:30-6:30 p.m. and 6:30-7:30 p.m.

## May Fitness month activities

The Talbot Fitness Center at McClellan is hosting the following activities this week in support of May Fitness month:

#### ■ Squadron/Unit Challenge -- today, 1 p.m.

Four person teams (one female) to compete for prizes in tug-of-war, relay, and medicine ball toss. For more information, call Airman 1st Class Ebonye Bell or Sylvester Moore at 643-2596.

## ■ Volleyball Shootout -- Monday, 1:30 p.m.

Two person teams can compete for awards. Points will be awarded for hitting the rim or making the basket. For more information, call Doc Haynes at 643-2596.

■ Tennis Tournament -- Tuesday, 1 p.m.

Self-directed, single elimination tournament. Winner to receive a prize. For more information,

call Airman 1st Class Yun Kane at 643-2596.

#### ■ Aerobic Mania -- Wednesday, 9 a.m.

Four hours of continuous aerobics with several instructors. Whoever is standing after four hours will be declared the winner. For more information, call Master Sgt. Mike Lamb at 643-2596.

## ■ Racquetball Tournament -- May 18, noon

Self-directed, single elimination tournament. Winner to receive a prize. For more information, call Airman 1st Class Amy Cox at 643-2596.

#### ■ Coast to Coast cycling challenge

Ride the stationary bike all month at the fitness center and chart it on a map. The individual who travels the furthest will be declared the winner. For more information, call Airman 1st Class Larry Johnson at 643-2596.

## **Nurses recognized across nation**

By Capt. David C. Zimmerman

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"Nurses: Keeping the Care in Healthcare" is this year's theme for National Nurses Week, celebrated May 6 through Friday. Annually, National Nurses Week began on May 6, marked as RN Recognition Day, and ends Friday, the birthday of Florence Nightingale, founder of nursing as a modern profession.

Did you know...?

- The American Nurses Association was founded in 1896.
  - There are 2.6 million registered nurses

in the United States. And, 2.1 million of them are actively employed.

■ The Jan. 5, 2000, edition of the *Journal* of the American Medical Association reported the results of a study, which revealed patients fared just as well when treated

by nurse practitioners as they did
when treated by physi-

From bedside nursing in hospitals and community health nursing to the halls of research institutions, state legislatures, and Congress, the depth and breadth of the nursing profession is meeting expand-

ing health care needs of American society.

### Celebrate Mother's Day with champagne brunch

Treat mom to a special Mother's Day Champagne Brunch, Sunday, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Club McClellan.

Menu includes: omelet casseroles, scrambled eggs, sausage and bacon, creamed beef, Belgian waffles, french toast, country fried potatoes, roast prime rib of beef, honey glazed ham, fried chicken, poached salmon, boiled new red potatoes, country mashed potatoes, rice pilaf, glazed baby carrots, green peas with pearl onions and mushrooms, fresh fruit, assorted salads, desserts, and champagne.

Cost is \$13.95 for adults, \$5.95 for children ages 6-12, free for ages 5 and under. For reservations, call 643-3526 or 643-2872.

## Hosted by the 77th Services Division and the McClellan Aviation Museum



## Saturday, May 20, 2000 ◆ 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

In honor of Armed Forces day, McClellan Air Force Base is sponsoring a, "Hot Wings and Cool Wheels" event, open to the public, free admission and parking. Activities include:

- Annual car show
- ☐ Live music by "Mumbo Gumbo"
- ☐ "Travis Brass" the Air Force Band of the Pacific
  - ☐ World War II aircraft
  - ☐ Inflatable carnival
    - ☐ Kiddy land
    - ☐ Craft fair
    - ☐ Flea market

- Petting zoo
- ☐ Exotic wildlife bird show
- ☐ Radio controlled airplanes
  - □ Softball
  - ☐ Golf
  - □ Paintball tournaments
    - ☐ 5K run

and much more!

For more information, call 643-4822

#### **SWAP MEET**

#### For Sale

**Car** -- 83 Honda Accord SE, all power, sunroof, 196K miles, CD, sheepskin seat covers, newer tires, all maintenance records. \$2,200 obo. Call 991-9408.

**Truck** -- 91 Ford F-350 Centurion, 4X4, 70K miles, all power, running boards, seats seven, CB radio, AM/FM cassette, all maintenance records. Call 991-9408 to negotiate price.

**Television** -- Samsung 19" color with remote; \$75. Call 332-4679.

**Tow dolly** -- \$800. Used once. Must sell due to overseas transfer. Call 344-4183.

**Motorhome** -- 87 Jamboree by Fleetwood. 25 ft Class C, always garaged, show room condition, 21,500 miles, generator, encased awning, sleeps four, microwave, roof storage, all main-

tenance records, \$18,000, Call 991-9408.

**Moving sale --** 18 ft Motor home, TV, VCR, bike, furniture, mens clothing and household goods. Call 334-3246.

**Uniforms --** Men's mess dress jacket 42", pants 36", with all accouterments, white shirt, suspenders, cummerbund and lieutenant colonel shoulder boards -- \$100. BDU field jacket, med/short -- \$10. Air Force lightweight blue jacket w/liner 44"R -- \$15. Call 315-9004

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The deadline is noon, Wednesday for possible publication in the following Thursday's issue. Only one Swap ad per household per week, up to 50 words, may be submitted.

However, the ad can apply to more than one category, such as items wanted/trade, vehicles, furniture and yard sales. Spacemaker reserves the right to edit. No ads for moneymaking businesses, including daycare, or the sale of firearms or firearm accessories will be accepted. To run a swap ad again, it must be resubmitted. For more information, call the Spacemaker at 643-6100.